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*Utility Patent Application***IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Patent Application of:

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For: VERIFYING KEYING MATERIAL BY USING A
VALIDATION AREA OF READ ONLY MEDIA
TO PREVENT PLAYBACK OF
UNAUTHORIZED COPIES OF CONTENT
STORED ON THE MEDIA

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We, Michael S. Ripley and Brendan S. Traw, hereby declare that:

1. We are the named and sole co-inventors of the subject matter described and claimed in the above-described patent application (hereinafter the "inventive subject matter").
2. We are co-authors of the article entitled "Content Protection for Recordable Media Specification", Revision 0.94, dated October 18, 2000 (hereinafter "Article 1").

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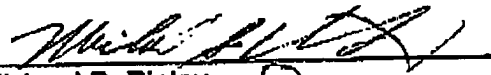
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3. We are co-authors of the article entitled "Content Protection for Prerecorded Media Specification", Revision 0.93, dated January 31, 2001 (hereinafter "Article 2").
4. Any inventive subject matter disclosed in Article 1 and Article 2 originated and/or was obtained from one or the both of us.


We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the above-identified application or patent issued therefrom.

Respectfully submitted,

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